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A Full and Impartial

ACCOUNT

OF THE

Late Beſieging and Taking

OF THE

Famous Caſtle of Kilkandra,

In the Province of *Ulſter*, in

IRELAND:

BY THE

Brave Inniskilling Forces.

ALSO,

King James's late Proclamation from *Dublin*, and the great ſcarcity of Proviſions there. With the preſent State of the Late King's Affairs, in the Province of *Leneſter* and *Ulſter*.

Licens'd, *J. Fraſer*, And Entered according to Order.

Dear Sir,

Since my laſt, here being ſeveral Gentlemen of good Repute, both from *Dublin*, and the North of *Ireland* arrived, I think it not amiſs to further you with the true ſtate and condition of Affairs, in and about both the foremention'd Places, as it hath been related to me by the ſaid Gentlemen, from one Mr. *Johnſon*, and three others that left *Dublin* the 6th inſtant, and came here in an open Boat. We are informed that all ſorts of Proviſions are extreamly ſcarce and deer, in and about *Dublin*; That Mutton is ſold at Seven Pence, and Beef at Four Pence

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Pence a Pound. That there is little or no Bread to be had for money: an Alderman of *Dublin*, having declared to one Mr. *Shirely*, who came from the said City, that he and his Family had not tasted one bit in four daies. That the late King had taken up all the Corn, and ordered it to be stored up for his use: And that it was discoursed, that a Proclamation was in the Press, for all Protestant Women and Children, to depart *Dublin*, to the North of *Ireland*, and the Men to the Province of *Connagh*. He further saith, that he saw Two Compannies of the French Supplies, march into *Dublin*, and that several others were on their march that way. And that neither the late King, nor the *Irish*, are so well pleased therewith as was expected; most of the Men, of which the Regiments are composed, being Prisoners of War, and other Countries, and not Natives of *France*, for which Reason they rather distrust them, then rely on their Truth and Fidelity to their Cause. The Regiments sent to *France*, in lieu of these Supplies are the Lord *Castles*, Colonel *Brymes*, Coll. *Fielding*, Coll. *Brymes*, Coll. *Fieldings*, and two others, whose Names we cannot learn. That several of the *Irish* not being willing to leave their own Country, deserted, and that at least one Thousand Protestants were Pressed, to fill up the Vacancies.

A Ship of ours, brought in here Fifteen Prisoners, which she took Sailing in a Boat, between *Wexford* and *Dublin*, (Four of which are Officers of the Irish Army) who affirm to us, that the late King, takes away, as well the Goods of Papists as Protestants, that are Vendable in *France* (such as Tallow, Hydes, Wooll, *&c.*) paying the one half in Copper Money now, and the other half at his Re-establishment in *England*. By the Lord *Donevall*, who arrived here on Thursday last, from our Army in *Ireland*, we are informed, that *Charlemont* is now actually Besieged: That the Miners Bombs, Mortars, Battering Pieces, Ammunition, and all other necessaries, were brought thither before he left *Ireland*: And that two of our French Regiments, lye now before the Town. That the Garrison is much straitned for want of Provisions; so that if it be not taken by Storm, they will be forced suddenly to Surrender.

There arrived at *Highlake* this Week about 60 Sail of Ships from *Bellfast*, which bring us an acconnt that the Money and Forces Shipp'd off here, under the Conduct of *Sir Cloudsly Shovell* were safe arrived there, and that Sir *Cloudsly*, with about 12 Men of War, left *Carrickfergus* on *Wednesday* last, and steered their Course towards *Dublin-Bay*. That part of the Garrison of *Belturbet*, have taken the Isle of *Killishandra*, three Miles distant from *Belturbet*, in which was three hundred Irish Soldiers, furnished with great store of Provision: The manner of its taking was thus, a detached Party from *Belturbet* consisting most of the *Innistillin Men* (who well knew the Country) marched out in the Night, and before break of Day were got under the Walls of the Castle and immediately fell to Digging, and Undermining the Walls, which noise and bustel soon alarmed the Garrison. Those at our Mens Approach, they were fast asleep. This sudden surprize being not agreeable to the *Irish* Warriors and finding themselves so beset, that (as they imagine) they could not peep out without danger (to their eternal shame) they furrendred upon discretion. Yesterday marched from this City to *High Lake* Eight hundred Men, in order to their Transportation; and this Night one Regiment of Foot is expected here, a great number of Ships lying at *High Lake* ready to receive them.

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